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Dear species of the masculine gender, I, one of the females, believe that I am equal to you, the males, in everything, and kindly request for you to change “History” into “Ourstory”. In this modern era, I believe that males are no longer more superior than females and both genders were equal. My mother used to tell my brother to grow up quickly, get a wife and bear lots of sons to continue the family line. However, why doesn’t she say that to me? Because I am female. Still, why can’t I name my children after my family name? Hey, I have the right to do so since both genders are equal. Right now, it’s time for the girls to take action and regain our supremacy!

Last holiday, I went to the library to borrow books on robotics for my co-curricular activity. There was a large variety of books but what caught my attention the most was the readers. Majority of them – no, all of them – were boys and it was really awkward when I was the only one holding the same books as them. Still, I carried on reading my book until someone asked me a question, “Hey, girls read these kinds of books too?” I was stunned, almost offended and could only smile politely at the man who looked a lot older than me and continued reading my book. Though I did not say anything, my mind was filled with questions for him: Why didn’t I have the right to read books on robotics? Was there a rule which states that girls could only read romance novels while boys had to read books on robotics? Weren’t books supposed to be unisex? Weren’t females equal to males?

Being a spoilt only son, my brother loved to brag about his “manliness”. Every day, he would brag about how he got into the school track and field team, and also, how good a sportsman he was. He liked to show off about how boys always have a better record at every sport event than girls and that girls were just no match for them. I felt really indignant and one day, I finally proved him wrong. We decided to see who can do the most sit-ups in one minute. Of course, he laughed it off and said that he would give me a handicap since he was a boy and could easily beat me. However, I rejected his offer as I believed that girls are equal to boys. Eventually, the battle of the sexes began and I emerged victorious. I, the female, beat the male! At that exact moment, I know that the females were going to reign supreme!

So to all the guys out there, do be a gentleman and make way for the ladies!

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